The Six Rights of Medication Administration

1. **The RIGHT RESIDENT**- Be sure that you are assisting the correct resident.
   - Ask the resident their name.
   - Check with another staff member if you are not sure who the resident is.
   - Look at the picture of the resident.

2. **The RIGHT DRUG** – Be sure that you give the correct drug.
   - Compare the medication Administration Record(MAR) with;
     - The pharmacy label
     - The physician's Order that is found in the resident's chart.

3. **The RIGHT DOSE** – dosage equals strength and amount
   - Compare the medication Administration Record(MAR) with:
     - The pharmacy label
     - The physician's Order that is found in the resident's chart.

4. **The RIGHT TIME** – Be sure the drug is given at the correct time.
   - Compare the medication Administration Record(MAR) with:
     - The pharmacy label
     - The physician's Order that is found in the resident's chart.

5. **The RIGHT ROUTE** – Be sure that the correct route is used.
   - Compare the medication Administration Record(MAR) with:
     - The pharmacy label
     - The physician's Order that is found in the resident's chart.

6. **The RIGHT DOCUMENTATION/RECORD**
   - After you have finished assisting with a medication , it is very important that you write in the medication Administration Record(MAR). You may also need to document in the resident's chart:
     - Write in the correct record – RIGHT RESIDENT
     - Document correctly. Always be sure you are documenting for the RIGHT RESIDENT.